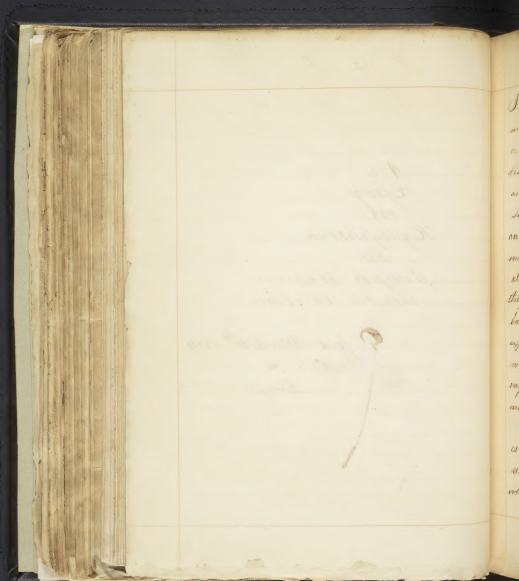


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Essay
on
Hydrophobia
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Hydrophobia

In writing the following sheets I regret much my inability to offer any thing new or interesting; more especially on a disease that is so little understood and about which physicians differ so widely both as regards its pathology and treatment. I am well aware that many able and distinguished writers have attempted to explain its nature, but they certainly have fallen far short of being satisfactory and it will not be expected that I can offer any thing new with regard to it, but I shall satisfy myself merely by giving a few of the most generally received opinions.

Hydrophobia, fortunately is not of frequent occurrence in the United States, but it is a disease which the practitioner has occasionally



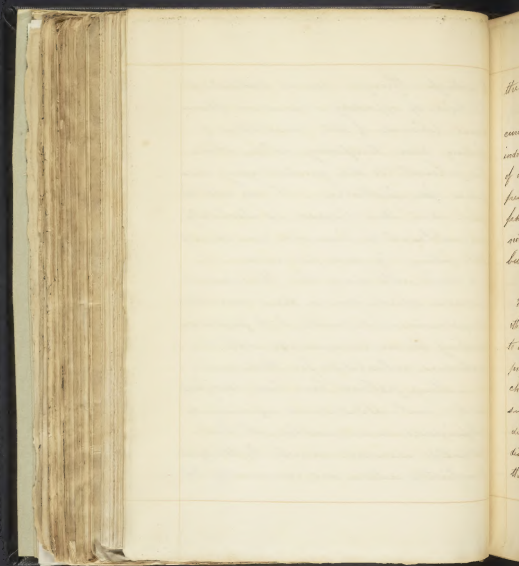
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to witness, although, almost destitute of the hope of effecting a cure and oftentimes deprived of the consolations of affording even temporary relief, while the patient in the greatest agony implores ~~for~~ assistance. It can not be said that this disease is absolutely incurable, I believe we can prove to the contrary, by some few cases.

I think with many that there are few diseases which can in their own nature be pronounced desperate, but properly speaking, we are unacquainted with the medicines calculated for their cure.

Many patients have been dismissed by the most celebrated and experienced physicians as incurables, who have actually recovered merely by the efforts of unassisted nature and occasionally by

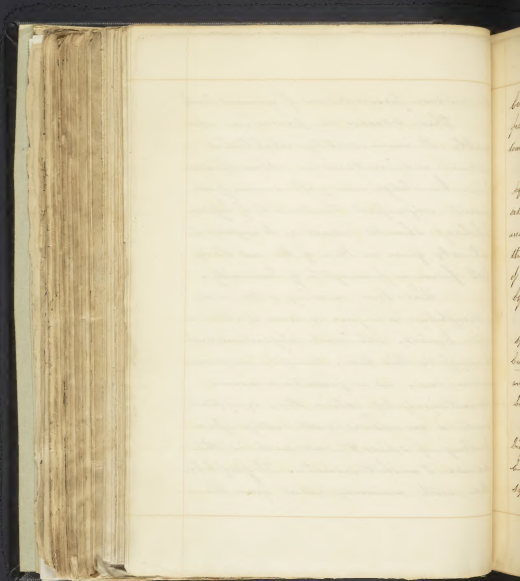


the random prescriptions of ignorant Quacks

When diseases are pronounced incurable, it immediately establishes indolence, and inattentions. This diffidence of our knowledge and just sense of the present imperfect treatment of Hydrophobia, should incite us to improve it, not only from a love of the art itself, but from a principle of humanity.

The true meaning of the word

Hydrophobia, is a fear or dread of water or other liquids, but what physicians wish to express by this term, though a very improper one, is a peculiar disease characterised by certain other symptoms such as convulsions, great restlessness, a discharge of saliva &c. and such is the disease I wish to describe. Hydrophobia then most commonly arises from the

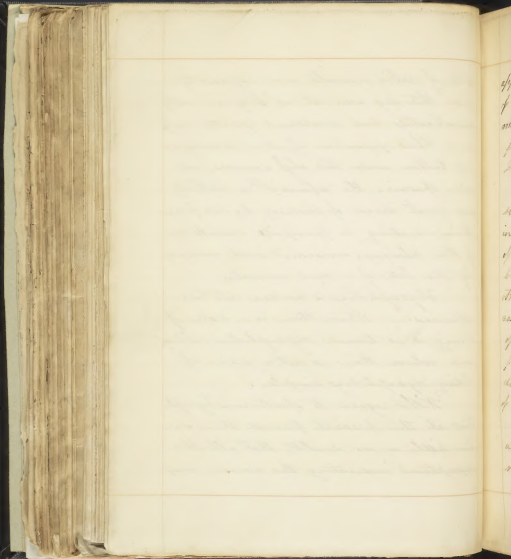


bite of rabid animals, more especially
from the dog, and cat, as they are mostly
domesticated and sometimes spontaneously

This peculiar affection is arranged
by Cullen, under the class neuroses, and
order spasmi. He defines it to be a loathing
and great dread of drinking liquids from
their creating a painful convulsion
of the pharynx, occasioned most commonly
by the bite of a mad animal.

Hydrophobia is divided into two
species. When there is a desire of
biting it is termed, Hydrophobia rabiosa,
and when there is not a desire of
biting Hydrophobia simplex.

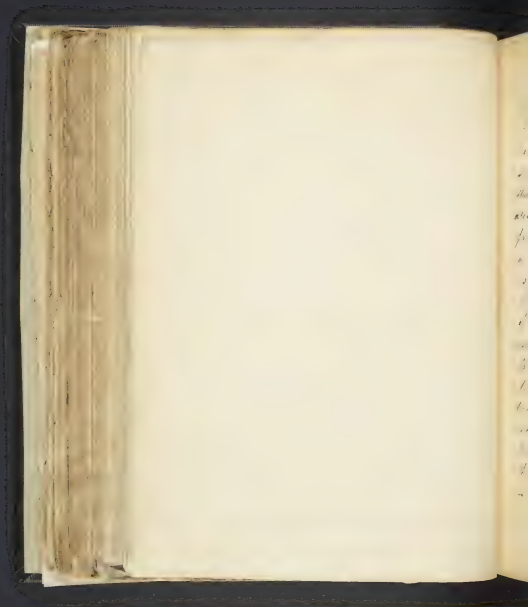
With regard to spontaneous hydropho-
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be little or no doubt, that all the
symptoms indicating this disease may





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hours of each week to go to most of the
Sons. I am inclined to think
that this course will generally sig-
nify in this case many such men
before we know that there are
a great number of men that
are little more than the family
man in our midst. From the number
of boys that are not in the list
and the number of men that have
been sent by the Sons that are
not in the list, this view of the
infinite things we are
to do to these men seems
his that we are to do
in a hall of a man in the house.





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a lot of seed and some seedlings
in the garden.

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is as yet offshoots of the original
the young ones are usually in the
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and do not reach the first year's
growth. The first of the seedlings
in the garden are now in the

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My dear friend, I have just received
your letter of the 10th inst. and am
glad to hear that you are well.
I am at present in the city of
London, and am very much
interested in the state of the
country, and in the progress of
the war.

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I have been thinking much lately
of the many things which I have
done in my life, and how much
of it has been in vain.

The years have passed so quickly
that I cannot remember the
beginning of my life. I have
been so busy that I have not
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My dear Sir,

I have just received your letter of the 11th inst. and am glad to hear that you are well. I am also well and hope this letter will find you the same. I have not much news to write at present, but I thought I would write a few lines to let you know that I am still in the land of the living. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I hope you will excuse my brevity. I will write again when I have more news to tell you.

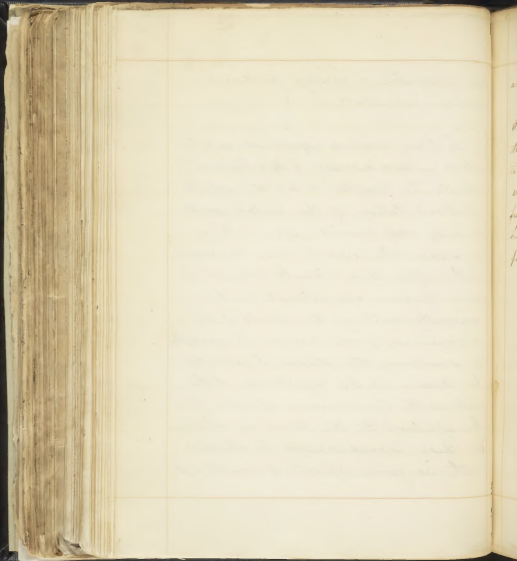
I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
J. H. [Name]

P.S. I have not yet received your letter of the 10th inst. I hope it will come soon.



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when formed.

If I am ever so unfortunate as to be
called in to a disease of this kind, I
should be tempted to try the effects
of blood letting, if the pulse would
in any way permit, carried to a
considerable extent; then the warm
bath, after this I would attempt to
give opium and castor oil freely,
carefully watching the effects of the
medicines, if the patient be incapable
of swallowing the opium, it should
be thrown up by injections. cloths
wet with laudanum should then
be applied to the throat and abdomen.
if these means should be attended
with no good effect, I would make



an artificial opening into the wind pipe,
as proposed I think first by Doctor
Physick, obviating by this operation
the most fatal symptom and giving
time for the effects of the medicines
employed, should the patient recover
from this attack, I would put and
keep him under a mercurial course
for some time.

